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In re Application of

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For: NOVEL PEPTIDES AND COMPOSITIONS WHICH MODULATE APOPTOSIS

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed in the above-referenced application. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

Amendments to the Specification begin on Page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on Page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on Page 5 of this paper.